

FIRST DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Winter Conference



FORGING FORWARD

FEBRUARY 2-4, 2018

HOLIDAY INN, ALEXANDRIA, MN

Please register by January 19th to confirm your reservation. The conference is free to all current FDA Members & all FDA Member Creamery Members including all food, entertainment, and educational sessions. Lodging is \$75/night. We have wonderful learning sessions on the schedule and door prizes will be given to those that attend the learning sessions. You can register online at <https://fs28.formsite.com/XcSsw/form1/index.html> or you can place your registration with Dawn Raymond at 320-221-0002 or by e-mail at draymond@firstdistrict.com. You can also find the link for the online registration form on the First District website and Facebook page.

Conference Agenda

Friday Evening, February 2, 2018

- 6:00-9:00 pm Registration / Light Meal Available
- 7:30-9:00 pm Social Hour
- 9:00-10:00 pm Mylo Hatzenbuhler "The Original Rock & Roll Farming Farmboy"
- 10:00-12:00 am Social / Jukebox Music

Saturday, February 3, 2018

- 7:30-8:30 am Breakfast – Pool Area
- 8:45-9:15 am Introduction to Minnesota Dairy Initiative (MDI) Alison Rickeman—MDI
- 9:15-9:30 am Introduction to Sustainability Module Patti Schaefer – FDA
- 9:30-10:15 am Proper Livestock Handling Jim Lewis- Step Right Stockmanship
- 10:15-10:30 am Break
- 10:30-11:00 am What's new at FDA/Industry Dawn Raymond - FDA
- 11:00-11:45 am Calf Care Xavier Suarez—Provimi
- 11:45-12:45 pm Buffet Lunch
- 12:45-1:45 pm Break Out Sessions - Women in Agriculture Kim Brenner – Ag Inspirations
- 12:45-1:45 pm Break Out Sessions - Stray Voltage Al Haman - Star Energy
- 1:45-2:00 pm Break
- 2:00-2:45 pm Midwest Dairy Overview / Grocery Case Reinvention Lucas Sjostrom - MDA
- 2:45-3:30 pm Employee Management Nathan Hulinsky - University of Minnesota Extension
- 3:30-4:15 pm Genomics Simplified Brad Nosbush
- 6:00-7:00 pm Kids Pizza Party
- 7:00-7:30 pm Adult Social Hour
- 7:30-9:30 pm Banquet/YC Couple of the Year Presentation Jeff & Nicole Sarff
- Keynote Speaker Kim Brenner – Ag Inspirations
- 9:30-12:00 pm Social / Jukebox Music

Sunday, February 4, 2018

- 7:30-9:00 am Breakfast – Pool Area